

SAN DIEGO DX CLUB

BULLETIN



August 2007



Summer Bash 2007

Will be held at
Gayle and Oscar's
August 26
11:30 am
(please...do NOT arrive early)



NO MEETING This Month
The Bash takes its place.
Normal schedule returns next month.



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Gavel Gab

By Paul Dorey WN6K



A couple of events are dominating this month...by the time the month has passed, the Bash will be done. Thanks in advance of those that signed up for various jobs with our Bash Babe, K6GO. Granting us the use of her home for our biennial gathering of the Southern California Elite is certainly appreciated by the Board as well as the general membership. A shopping work party will take place so that we can buy out Costco and other outlets on the Friday and Saturday before August 26th. Treasurer W6YOO, Harry is counting up the pennies in the coffer to cover what promises to be a fun event.

Saturday, August 11th, John, K6AM and I headed up to Perris (wasted all that high school French – its only north of Temecula) for the kickoff meeting for the Visalia 2008 International DX Convention. N6JOJ, Tom was also there and offered his input from his past experiences of helping out in previous Visalias. WU6D, Carl and K6VC, Cathy Gardenias hosted the get-together and after our working session, hosted the Committee with a great Bar-B-Que. The theme for Visalia 2008 is going to be 'western' so dig around those bins and cedar chests and bring out the bolo ties, bandanas and chaps.

By text messaging K6DEX and WB6BFG, I got an early commitment from Bob and Wild Bill to help out with the Banquet Table Seating tasks at the registration area. There will be plenty of other odd jobs and we will be tapping on shoulders to see if you can find a bit of time to assist. One of the big tasks is to sell Harry all those Raffle Tickets...perhaps you will be able to man the tables for an hour or so or walk about. Ticket sales are the big money maker and we (SDDXC) share in the profits when the accounting is all done so mark out some time in April. KY6LA, Howard and I sold a ticket bundle just about every 15 seconds (He reportedly has sold refrigerators full of Molasses in KL7 in the middle of January) and you get to meet just about everyone who shows up.

Well despite the warm temps and low SFI, I hear some DX calling....see everyone on the bands, at the Bash or the next meeting.

San Diego DX Club Policy on content of

DX Bulletin and/or E-mail Reflector

The San Diego DX Club, a group of Amateur Radio operators, interested in the art of DXing, publish a monthly newsletter, and maintains an e-mail reflector where members and officers can post information of interest to other members.

Our policy is to print and/or post only information that is related to Amateur Radio, and not items of a political or religious nature, unless it has an impact on Amateur Radio, such as antenna ordinances, etc.

If a member wishes to have printed/posted any topic that is not Amateur Radio related, they can submit a copy to the club newsletter editor, webmaster, e-mail reflector moderator or any club officer, and the matter will be discussed and decided upon by the Board of Directors. **No PERSONAL attacks** will be allowed in either the newsletter or on the reflector.

Submissions are due on the 2nd Wednesday of each month!!

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 31, 2007

Balance as of Jun 30, 2007: \$4,062.09
Income:
Regular Dues 100.00
TOTAL: 100.00

Expenses:
Field Day Expenses: 118.88
TOTAL: 118.88

Balance as of Jul 31, 2007: \$4,043.21
Petty Cash on Hand: 20.00
Total Checking/Petty Cash: \$4,063.21

MEETING MINUTES

July 25, 2007

The San Diego DX Club held its regular monthly meeting on July 25, 2007 at the Sizzler Restaurant, Murphy Canyon Road and Aero Drive. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the President, Paul Dorey, WN6K. There were 26 members and guests present.

President Paul, WN6K confirmed that the annual DX Bash was scheduled to be held on Sunday, August 26, 2007 at the home of Gayle Olson, K6GO in Poway. Gayle passed out a sheet of assignments made to insure a successful Bash.

John, K6AM announced the Top Ten Category. See results elsewhere in this newsletter.

The following persons were voted into membership in the club:

Wild Bill Wiederhold, WB6BFG and Daniel L Severance, N6ERD

During the roundtable, Carl Gardenias, WU6D, Section Manager of the Orange Section and his wife Cathy were introduced to the group. Carl presented himself as a candidate for the position of Director or the ARRL Southwestern Division in the upcoming election. Campaign literature enunciating his stand on the various issues facing Amateur Radio was distributed.



The rest of the Roundtable was devoted to such subjects as RTTY, 6 Meters, Antennas and Con-tests, the LA County Fair and the SW Division Convention scheduled for September in Torrance, CA.

PROGRAM:

The first part of the evening's program was a short video covering the Northern California DX Foundation and their support for various DXpeditions, a Worldwide Beacon system, the World Radio Championships, and donations of scholarships.

The second part of the program was a slide presentation by Bob Grimmick, N6OX on his visit to Europe and attendance at the big Friedrichshafen DX Convention which rivals Visalia and the ARRL national convention in size and scope. It is located on the shores of Lake Constance in Southern Germany.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Harry Hodges, W6YOO
Secretary/Treasurer

Get your burger.....



.....At the bash!!

THE SDDXC TOP 10

By John, K6AM



TOTAL COUNTRIES WORKED ON RTTY

8/07	8/06	CALL	ZNS	C-D	CFM	WKD	CHG
1.	1.	K0XB	40	288	290	295	+6
2.	2.	W6KUT	40	190	190	243	-
3.	6.	N6ND	40	74	74	235	+59
4.	3.	W6YOO	38	231	231	233	-2
5.	4.	N7CW		90	90	217	-
6.	5.	W6CN		173	176	185	-
7.	7.	N7TY	20	126	126	180	+21
8.	8.	N6CW	36	45	45	144	-
9.	9.	KY6LA		?	?	135	-
10.	10.	K6XT	36	?	?	132	-

Rick, N6ND roars through the pack to jump up 3 places with 59 new ones just this year! There's plenty of new ones out there for the rest of us, so give the digital modes a try. RTTY is becoming more popular all the time. The advent of PSK31 and some other systems have really ignited a surge of interest. The old 60 WPM baudot mode is now heard mostly only on contest weekends.

New software is being introduced all the time. MMTTY is a good one when used with Writelog and a sound blaster card. Most of the expeditions are now doing a fair amount of RTTY for The Deserving. We'll be looking for many more entries next year in this fun but under-represented category.

Each month, we will publish a top ten list for one of the lesser recognized but hard won categories. Coming up next, phone and CW. Please send me your totals for each band and mode throughout the year and you will be listed in coming months. My email address is k6am at arrl.net or bring 'em to the meeting.



For the next few months, until the picture supply runs out, we will publish photos from Bill Denton NG6Z's trip to Africa.

Of course, if you have pics from DX sites, send them our way.

Summer Bash 2007

The 2007 Summer Bash will be held at the QTH of K6GO in Poway. It is sponsored by the San Diego DX Club. It will be August 26 at 11:30 AM. Food and refreshments are provided. All DXers and testers are invited. Please note the directions to Gayle's house.

From I-15, go east on Rancho Bernardo Rd. (turns in Espola Rd.) Turn left on Valle Verde, left on Edina Way, right on Surrey Hills Court. If there is no parking, there is a park back on St. Andrews and Valle Verde. Gayle asks that people do not show up early.

Please bring your own portable chairs! We need more people to help cleanup after the event, and a couple more Ice coolers.

